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Applicant:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 4, 2000, said period of response being extended from March 4, 2001 to June 4, 2001.

Our check in the amount of \$890.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

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